

the references cited contemplate attaching a control signal adjustment data recording to an apparatus. There should be no dispute that Fischer et al. failed to contemplate attaching anything to either its pump or fuel injector, and the data contemplated by Toboldt is clearly something other than control signal adjustment data. Furthermore, Toboldt does not appear to contemplate data related to any aspect of electronic control of a fuel injector. Therefore, Applicants again respectfully request that the outstanding §103(a) rejections against claims 57-58 be withdrawn.

Applicant's appreciate the indication in the Office Action that claims 49-51, 54-56 and 59-61 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. However, Applicants respectfully decline to amend these claims at this time since the base claims themselves are believed to be allowable. Applicants also appreciate the continued indication that the original patented claims 1-31 remain allowable.

This application is continued to believed to be in condition for allowance of claims 1-31 and 46-61. However, if the examiner believes that some minor additional clarification would put the case in even better condition for allowance, he is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (812) 333-5355 in order to hasten the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MB McNeil", written in a cursive style.

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